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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, May 28.

MISSIONS IN CHINA.

At the General Assembly of the Church
of Scotland, in moving the adoption of the
Foreign Mission report, the Rev. D.
Cuthbert, Hawick, made a reference to the
visit he had recently paid to the stations
in China. He said that hitherto China
had been almost a negligible quantity, but
its claims were second to no mission field
in the world. When they began their
work in China, 30 years ago they were
met with opposition and danger, but a
change had taken place. For many in
China the old Confucianism had become
impossible, and it was now becoming a
question between Christ or materialism.
The work that had been done had amply
justified itself, and he paid a high tribute
to those who were representing the Church
in China. But the provision was not
adequate to the needs. The home base
was what they had to think about—the
home base, as represented by every man
and woman in the membership of the Church.
As there was no far about the
progress of the work in the foreign field,
and he appealed to them to realise that
there was an untapped power in the Church
of Scotland that would bring joy and blessing
to the home work.Among the missionaries presented to the
Moderator of the Church of Scotland on
Mission Day was Mr. Malcolm Macfarlane,
who is going out to China as a teacher.
At the United Free Church Assembly,
an address was delivered on missions by
Rev. Wm. MacNaughtan, Manchester; the
Rev. John Stewart was dedicated to
service in Manchuria.

A WAR OF TITLES.

Our Old Nobility must have suffered
from a cold shiver as they read the pro-
ceedings in the House of Commons last
week. First a unionist member introduced
a Bill to stop the traffic in titles. Then a
Liberal brought one in to put an end to
hereditary titles, and its champion was
that outspoken critic of the aristocracy,
the member for the Stirling Burghs,
the seat long held by "O.B." Mr.
Penosby has a short way of dealing
with what he calls relics of the past
which are out of place in a democratic
country. On the death of the holder
the title would simply lapse, so that in a
generation these artificial distinctions
could be swept away, and with them the
snobishness, sycophancy, and flattery
that mark our social life. Mr. Penosby
has taken up a task that has been essayed
by others before him, and it will be
interesting to catch the fortunes of his
little Bill. One shrewdly suspects that
the previous efforts in the same direction
it will be quietly put aside, and nothing
more will be heard of the subject until
the next time, whenever that may be.
We may, a democratic people in many
ways, and we may believe as little
in the inherited virtues of hereditary title
holders as we do in the inherited wisdom
of hereditary legislators, but it requires a
remarkable amount of practical gravitation
to provoke us to drastic action. We may
not love Lordships as he has been said
of us, but we deal with them very tenderly.
The only really unpleasant thing that has
been said of his came from that bright
Tory, Mr. John Lubbock, when he
described the Chamber in which the Peer
sit as "the House of Snobs." There is
nobody who can be more irritating than
the snob, or perhaps it should be said,
the aristocrat.Mr. J. B. Campbell, Glasgow, who
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THE PRESIDENT OF CHINA

In the current number of the *Asiatic Review*, Professor C. H. Parker, an old and valued contributor to our columns, has an interesting and thoughtful article on "President Yuan and his Tasks." On everything pertaining to China, Professor Parker writes authoritatively. The native Chinese newspapers, he says, are a dreary waste of words about personal ambitions, local rebellions, and insane arguments. Certainly the Empire was more picturesque as to individuals, and not a whit more corrupt. Still, the inherent self-governing capacity of the plain, work-a-day people enables them (except in provinces overrun by bandits) to forge ahead with their trade, education, and railways; and no general or organic failure is to be recorded of the Republic as yet, except in so far as the "young China" parliamentary aspirants for power and pelf have utterly discredited themselves and had their wings clipped pretty closely. In a word, the inert and shapeless mass goes on living, and even thriving, out of mere "old custom," whilst the one man with guignon continues to hold the leash fairly well together. Meanwhile the native mud and water fault of greedy and jealous babudom separating these so far impregnable strata seems to be doing its best to ruin the country. It will be remembered that from the beginning, Yuan Shih-kai thought it a great mistake precipitately to abolish the dynasty; not that the dynasty, already hopelessly undermined by the incorrigible eunuch and petticoat palace influence and corruption, deserved much sympathy, but because it was, so to speak, a habit. It was an orthodox link, even if a worn and rusty one, with antiquity in the unbroken chain of history, and there was no other chain yet sufficiently ready to replace the old one. Better, he would have said, to work constitutionally through the Manchus. He (under compulsion) got rid of the dynasty at last in a loyal and generous way, and he has been loyal and generous to it ever since.

Yuan Shih-kai, though successful
with and trusted by the foreign
diplomats, is by no means a back-
boneless milkop in their hands. He
is a *rara avis* in (Chinese) terms a
patriot, without being either a traitor
or a partisan; an unscrupulous man
in the higher sense that Bismarck
was, without being in any way a
self-seeker; a man of very easy
morals, without being exactly
effeminate; a shrewd and well-instructed
man, without being a grand seigneur
in manner or highly cultured in mind.
The writer's own career, strange to say,
has even been immediately affected
by Yuan, whose mainly and rugged
honesty was experienced by him at
first hand nearly 30 years ago. In
fact if the cordy and polished, but
at the same time naive and vicious,
diplomacy of Europe had been as
trustworthy and as honest as that of
China in 1890, it is quite possible it
would have been extremely probable that Yuan

would have been no Sino-Japanese War in 1894, and no Russo-Japanese War in 1904. Yunnan was not only able, but willing (so far as he had any say in the matter), to come to reasonable terms with both Russia and Japan at a moment when the United States were feebly represented, and Great Britain was too busy, or floundering about at home in the "chow-chow" water of party changes to pay proper attention to Peking and Seoul.

What Yuan Shih-kui has to do now whilst his conceited and foghorned countrymen—especially the southernners—are wrangling about "rights," "liberty," "constitutions," and indulging in other tautologues innumerable, is to save for the Republic as much as he can of the external situation. The internal situation is dangerous enough, in all conscience; but it can wait for a few million Chinese raped and butchered in cold blood is a matter of minor importance from the point of view of Chinese.

main interests compared with foreign menaces and the murder of a single foreigner in hot blood, Manchuria is irretrievably gone so far as China is concerned. It may suit the Russian and the Japanese for the present to leave the three Chinese tutuls to amuse themselves by "administering" North, Central, and South Manchuria: but the rival railway systems are the true tutuls, and the matter must ultimately be arranged between the Russians and the Japanese. Meanwhile Yuan Shih-hai is doing the best he can to establish a new province in Inner Mongolia, west of Manchuria, with Tiao-nan Fus as its northern frontier. It is

its northern centre. It is not against the true interests of either Russia or Japan that China should strengthen herself here, or that American capital should be employed here. It is only natural that China should protect herself by running this wedge up between the desert and Manchuria. If she did not, this new province would be a swooping ground for the Mongols, and instead of becoming a useful buffer to China against all three, would inevitably become, sooner or later, the battlefield of Russian and Japanese ambitions. As to Northern Mongolia, there is no use talking about it now; it has gone for ever as far as the

Chinese are concerned; it is only a question of when it may suit Russia to move in as formal masters; Northern Mongolia never at any time really belonged to China, or was directly ruled by China." So far as it has, since 1650, seemed to be part of the Chinese Empire, it was entirely owing to the combined prowess and prudence of the pure Manchus. As to Tibet, the situation is much the same as with Mongolia. Tibet knew the Manchus as tolerant masters, often their protectors; as, for instance,

150 years ago against Nepal. They like Chinese tea, and will continue to have it, whatever may happen politically, for the Assam tea does not hit it off; but they loathe the Chinese trader, mandarin squeezer, and oppressor. European, especially British, sympathy might well be with the Manchu dynasty, as indeed it was in spite of its shifty incompetence during the Indian Expedition of 1904. And when the brilliant conquerors of Chao Erh-teng of power loathe this

two, about Tibetan weakness (from the British conquest) landed a lieutenant on one morning unexpectedly in Lhasa, there was every chance for China to re-establish a reasonable suzerainty. But the whole Tibetan question, which has now become complicated by the Pien-men question, is now being thrashed out at Simla, an ideal spot for keeping the ubiquitous press correspondent, Chinese or other, at arm's length—consequently we must "wait and see." As to Sikkim and Bhutan, China at no time, Manchuria time or other, had the slightest direct claim or influence over either of these two states, and their rulers never received "titles and seals" or "vassals," "etc."

Messrs. Lloyd Matheson and Carruth, London and Liverpool, in their Weekly Report, dated May 23 state with reference to the China market: "The market remains quiet but firm for all ideas, there being hardly any new selling on importers' hands. A few instances of

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wire—from their London agents. They are all middle prices.

French Mines, 23.3

Ural Caspian Oil	...	...	48/-
H.K. & Shanghai Bank	£81.5/-	seller	
United Sordanya	...	...	8/-
Mexican Eagles	...	...	30/8
Rubber Plant Int. Trust	...	...	10/-
Maikop Premier Oil S'ca	...	...	10/7 1/2

Indo-Chinas (Combined)	133
Chinese Engineering	38 1/2
H.K. Electric Lamps	8 6 ex. div.
Venture Trusts, Ltd.	1/-
Fine Hard Pans	2 0 1/2
Plantation	2 1/2

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Hongkong 19th June, 1914.

CONTRABAND SEIZED.
—
A BIG CAPTURE.
—
Detective Serg. Pinotti, made an im-

in the Harbour yesterday, discovering 600 rounds of ammunition, six rifles, 11 lbs of opium, opium and 130 taels of prepared opium. He arrested a man believed to be a fireman on board the s.s. Antrea, and it is presumed the contraband was taken aboard at Jeddah. The

This season Durbar II. won a Biennial at Paris, distance 12 miles, and followed that up by taking the Prix Noailles at Paris, 13 miles, but in the French Two Thousand ran sixth to Listman. Among his engagements are the French Derby (June 14) and Grand Prix of Paris (June 28).

The usual interval of fifty-five minutes between the previous race and the Derby was more than warmly welcome, as the field of thirty which had to be weighed in had not been beaten since 1863, when Alucarnum and Lord Clifden fought out their never-to-be-forgotten finish in front of twenty-nine others. Akensham and White Prophet, who had been considered as "probables," dropped out, but Peter the Hermit (whose name did not appear on the card) filled the place of one of them, and though he was one of the thirteen who were returned at 100 to 1, he made a really good show. Bikespear led the parade, followed by Kennymore, which was pleasing to their numbers on the card, but most of the others followed in "go as you please" style. The King's gait looked remarkably well, though probably a little less dapper than

could be found with the appearance of the favourite. He is developing a slight string-habit in the near hind leg, but, luckily, this does not interfere in the slightest degree with a horse's action when galloping, and it may be remembered that when Amiable won the Oaks in 1804 she had one of the worst string-habits imaginable. Carriecogus moved

did Black Jester, and Brakespear would have passed muster very favourably if he had not been so persistently fighting for his head. With a field containing about ten horses who can never hope to figure in another classic race, Mr. Willoughby was almost bound to

Unfortunately, the favourite was one of the most unruly of the thirty. When he at last seemed inclined to join his horses Polykrates gave even more trouble than he had done, but where as the latter was

long very badly and lost about ten
lengths. He made up a good deal of this
they climbed the hill to the mile post,
and as they made the descent to Tatten-
ton Corner had run into sixth place,
it, as a minority anticipated, the long
rescued soon had him in hopeless trou-
ble, and he never flattered his backers
for a moment. From the turn into the
straight, indeed, where Durbar II. was

it, and the victory was not received with the enthusiasm that one would like to have seen displayed. It was not that we grudged a victory to our French friends, but people were too surprised at

have done. It is not the first
 gained; for Sweep II. was the Tw
 thousand Guinea for him only two year
 Dufer II. by Rabelais, who won
 Goodwood Cup for Mr. Arthur Jam
 1903, and was a really good stayer.
 o has since distinguished himself a
 of Longf. and a good many other
 in France. The hero of to-day
 quite an ordinary-looking cock, and
 y a few days ago made no show at
 in the French Two Thousand. We
 been told more than once since then
 no attention need be paid to him
 over in that race. But as no race
 ever advanced for this moment
 the attention was paid to the cock
 I shall never forget him.

and, evidently, says far better than was generally supposed to be, and is well adapted to the course and the time. From the Herald, whose name is on every space in the ad, and that and the same persons with the printing press, telling that the printing of the paper made the paper, there is small doubt

Weslow, June 13.

Unhappily is just now suffering from an unusually heavy flood. For some days the West-Brue has been raising very suddenly, and it is now in many places nearly twice its usual width. The flood is also in spots and is rushing along with extreme rapidity. It is most interesting to watch the continual stream of debris which is being washed down. Of course, all traffic on the river is stopped. The complete stand still, and even the big passenger steamers are unable to discharge cargo. This is, however, not the worst trouble for there have been a large number of accidents on the river. Last night a raft broke loose and swept away upon a number of boats. These, in turn, broke from their moorings and, floating down the river, smashed into other boats causing great damage. It is said that over a hundred boats were lost last night and there must have been a considerable loss of life. It was most distressing to hear the cries of the poor people as they struggled for their lives in the darkness.

The water is still rising rapidly and beginning to invade the principal streets. A large number of shops in the trading part of the town are flooded and unable to carry on their business.

DECORATION FOR DR
MORRISON

Since assuming his duties as Political Advisor to the President Dr. Morrison has on many occasions rendered valuable services in solving political and diplomatic questions and his suggestions in regard to reorganization of the north-western provinces are quite to the point and highly appreciated by the President. It is reported that as a mark of appreciation for good counsels the President will confer on him the First Class Chiao-ho Decoration.

THE PALADE AND RACE.

black-pen was first to emerge from the pocket, and was followed by Kennedy, Black Jester, and the others in single file, and all three were much adrift in the preliminary center, in which Hapsburg, Durbar, and Polyzetsky participated particularly well. There were no startling changes in the betting. Kennedy was being an easy favorite at 2 to 1, while at the last moment Black Jester, 10 to 1, left Blackpen on the 100 to 10 mark. Of the others, the best black was Garkickig, which for places Mytheo and Hapsburg were in strong contention, the disproportionate odds of 10 to 1 and 7 to 1, respectively. Mr. Wilghy had a very unruly lot to deal with, and the start was delayed some thirty minutes; further, it was a very uneven one in the end. Kennymore was chief offender, and behaved like a horse, was not content with continuous running back from the tape, he lashed out and snapped at everything within reach, with the result that he gradually made a long way behind. Others to make trouble were Polyzetsky, who also made use of his heels, Magger, and Martin, and heavily handicapped by beginning badly were Drakepeer, who had the inside berth, Carlickierg, who was placed at the post, Marton, My Prince, and Polyzmist. First to hit ground was Polyzetsky, who cut out work from Black Jester, Mying Orle, Durbar II, with St. Guthlac, Angle-Dan Russel, Ambrose, Peter the Hermit, Lanus, and Hapsburg most prominent of the remainder, who were whipped by the favorite, a long way behind, he raced into the middle division after covering a little more than a mile. Meanwhile Polyzetsky was sailing along with Black Jester in hot pursuit, and Lanus drew into third place just in time of Dan Russel, with Peter the Hermit, Durbar II, Kennymore, St. Guthlac, Anglesey, and Hapsburg next, in the rear. Down the hill Durbar II placed on the inside, materially improved his position, and Polyzetsky being somewhat soon after rounding Tatterham, he challenged Black Jester directly, they were fairly in the line for home, when Dan Russel drew up in front, in advance of Hapsburg and Peter the Hermit. Black Jester was first to cry out, and having beaten a record, just over the distance, he drew in close behind, and thenceforward the same was always secured, for he came on in plenty, and never being teased, won the victory to spurs by three lengths. Hapsburg struggled on into second place, and a half in front of Peter the Hermit, who just caught and beat Russel on the post for third place. Prince was fifth, Drakepeer sixth, Jester seventh, and Magger eighth. Out of Carancho, Lanus, and Kennymore. The last two were Red Boy and Red Horse. The victory was received with cheering, which was less than usual, mainly owing to M. D. Dunsen and Peter the Hermit, who were not extremely patient and well as race throughout.

October 3, 1896. Telegrams of congratulations of the press will be published tomorrow, issue of the China

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 dependent upon the radio for
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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOME RACING.

RESULT OF THE GOLD CUP.

LONDON, June 19.
The race for the Abbot Gold Cup (value 500 sovs. with 3500 sovs. in specie in addition, out of which second receives 700 sovs., third 300 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 20 sovs. each for entire colts and fillies. Two miles and a half) resulted as follows:—
Mr. Fairie's Aleppo, 5y, 9st 4lb. (Foy) 1
Mr. John Ryan's Willbrook, 3y, 7st 7lb. (Donoghue) 2
Mr. T. Martin's Junior, 5y, 9st 4lb. (W. Huxley) 3
A two-year-old ran:—
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Lorenzo (5y) Whalley 9st 4lb.
Baron Georgoud's Orsonville (4y) Reiff 9st.
Ld. Harswood's Cantilever (4y) Walzer (Irish) 9st.
M. de St. Alary's Brulart (4y) Stern, 9st.
Col. Hall Walker's Night Hawk (4y) H. Jones 9st.
Mr. James de Rothschild's Cincinnati (4y) Cooper 7st 7lb.
Mr. F. Alexander's Aldermaston (3y) Spar 7st 7lb.
Won by three quarters of a length. Three lengths between second and third.
The betting was 6 to 1, 20 to 1 and 3 to 1 respectively.
[Aleppo, a five-year-old bay horse by Bepin—Chere Raine, ran eleven times last year, winning twice (Royal Stakes at Newbury on June 11 and the Jersey Club Cup at Newmarket on October 30) and being placed seven times. He also won the Chester Cup on May 6th last.
Willbrook is a chestnut colt by Grebe—Nora Gough, and ran in nine races as a two-year-old, securing the Tower Nursery at Folkestone in September and the Ditch Mile Nursery Handicap at Wimbomburgh. Junior is a five-year-old brown colt by Symington—Scylla. He ran eleven times last year, winning four times consecutively, in July the Bury Cup, the Atlantic Stakes at Hart Park and Chesterfield Cup at Goodwood, and the Blue Handicap at York in August. He also won the Manchester Cup this season, on June 5.
Last year the result was, Prince Palatine, Stedfast, Aleppo, Tracery, it will be remembered, was run into by a lunatic and fell, throwing his jockey Walter. Other winners have been:—1905, Zinfandel, 1906, Bachelor's Choice, 1907, The White Knight, 1908, Bomby, 1910, Bayardo, 1911, Willyox, 1912-13, Prince Palatine.—Etc.]

THE "EMPRESS" COLLISION.

FURTHER EVIDENCE AT THE INQUIRY.

LONDON, June 19.
A telegram from Quebec states that the mate of the Storstad, under cross-examination, said that he thought he had the right of way and was entitled to keep his course and speed even in fog, provided that the speed was moderate. He anticipated no danger until he saw the Empress emerge in a fog, when a collision became inevitable. Captain Andersen testified that the collision was of the slightest. The "Empress of Ireland," he said, disappeared in a fog, and he was unaware that she was damaged. He was quite unable to explain the differences of opinion between himself and Captain Kindall respecting their respective courses and speeds.

A Fireman's Statement.

A Quebec telegram states that Counsel for the owners of the Storstad produced at the inquiry a fireman from the Empress who affirmed that the ship's steering gear was defective. This statement was rebutted by other witnesses from the Empress.

KAISER WILHELM II COLLISION.

PASSENGERS' NARRATIVES.

LONDON, June 19.
The narratives related by passengers aboard the Kaiser Wilhelm II when she collided with the Innesmore (as stated in yesterday's telegrams) point to the fact that the officers had to go into the storeroom quarters to calm the despairing passengers and serve out lifebelts.
The boats were ready to be launched in ten minutes, and the behaviour of the seamen was splendid.

The Damage.

Divers found that the Kaiser Wilhelm II has two large rents, twenty-four and eighteen feet long, respectively. Two bulkheads had been burst in. The officers told that the consequences of the collision were serious, and that the ship was in a dangerous position.

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OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

PLAY OF THE LEADERS.

LONDON, June 19.
The Open Golf Championship was begun at Prestwick yesterday in sun-shiny weather. The leaders are Vardon, 150; Taylor 152; Wilson 153; Braid 156.
First among the amateurs is Hutchinson 136; Jenkins 137; Outmet, the American player, is disappointing, his total being 165.

The Amateur Championship.

The final game in the struggle for the Amateur Championship for 1914, played at Sandwich on May 23, is described in an article on pages 4 and 5.

BRITISH SQUADRON AT FEVAL.

LONDON, June 19.
The streets of Royal were crowded on the occasion of the visit of the British Squadron, a general holiday having been proclaimed. The commander of the Russian Baltic Squadron entertained the British officers at luncheon.

UNITED STATES TRADE.

LONDON, June 19.
A telegram from New York states that the imports for May reached a total of \$163,637,000 and exports \$157,467,000. The excess in imports is attributed to tariff legislation.

URUGUAY'S RULER ILL.

PEKING, June 19.
It is reported that the Hutukhu of Urga is seriously ill.

Presidents' Birthday.

The President has fixed the 19th day of the 8th moon for the private celebration of his birthday, and has ordered that it shall be publicly celebrated on September 16 in each year.

Nationalising a Bank.

It is proposed to nationalise the Communication Bank.

WHITE WOLF RETREATS.

SHANGHAI, June 18.
"White Wolf," after being defeated in Kansu, has retreated to Shensi and is now near Sianfu.

SHANTUNG RAILWAY AGREEMENT.

PEKING, June 18.
The Agreement between China and Germany in regard to the railways in Shantung has been settled, and will be signed in a few days.

CHINA'S OIL FIELDS.

PEKING, June 18.
The Government intends having the oil fields of the country divided into six divisions; each division to be under the control of a superintendent.

POLL TAX AT KWONGCHOW-WAN.

PEKING, June 18.
The commercial community of Kwongchow-wan have requested the Central Government to protest against the French levying a poll tax there.

REDUCTION DESIRED IN SECOND LOAN.

PEKING, June 18.
The Central Government have proposed a reduction of the second loan. The Chinese Loan Commission have telegraphed to the Government.

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THE "BUELOW" ASHORE.

PASSENGERS BEING TAKEN OFF.

LONDON, June 19.
The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer "Buelow" from Yokohama, on route for Bremen, has gone ashore at Weymouth. The sea is smooth and the passengers are being taken off.

Position Favourable.

The "Buelow" went ashore on the rocks in a fog. Her position is favourable if the weather continues fine.

Still on The Rocks.

The Buelow was perfectly upright yesterday evening and was making no water. Attempts made to tow her off have so far proved unsuccessful. The passengers and baggage have been landed.

PRAISE FOR THE COLONIAL SERVICE.

LONDON, June 19.
Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, presiding at the Banquet of the Corona Club—at which three hundred gentlemen were present, including many Colonial Governors—eloquently eulogised the work of the Colonial Service, dealing separately with individual Colonies.

Mr. Harcourt said there was much speculation as to the results upon the West Indies of the opening of the Panama Canal. He was not one of those who expected great advantages from it but he trusted that the new shipping route would bring some profit.

ALBANIAN CRISIS.

Durazzo Again Attacked.

LONDON, June 19.
The situation at Durazzo is critical and, panicky after the severe defeat suffered by the Mirdites and the Malisori. A surprise attack on the insurgents' position in the mountains proved abortive and they were surrounded and mown down by quickfiring, losing 700 killed.

Durazzo was attacked again yesterday night, the engagement lasting one and a half hours.

Durazzo Quiet.

All was quiet in Durazzo this afternoon, and the reinforcements of Italian and Austrian bluejackets were withdrawn. The Austrian ship chartered by the Albanian government cruised along the coast this morning and bombarded the rebel positions.

LIBERAL DISSATISFIED WITH BUDGET FINANCE.

LONDON, June 19.
Mr. R. D. Holt, M.P., and fourteen other Liberal members of Parliament have given notice of an amendment declining to pass the Finance Bill until Parliament has approved of the object upon which the additional taxation proposed is to be spent.
Mr. Hogg, M.P., and Mr. Macmillan Scott, M.P., have also given notice of an amendment declining to give their support without an assurance from the Government that the report stage will not be taken until the Revenue Bill becomes law.

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BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

EXTRAORDINARY RAILWAY TRAGEDY IN SCOTLAND.

LONDON, June 19.
An express train running between Perth and Inverness partly fell into a swollen stream at Carrbridge. Passengers were swept off in the torrent, three being drowned and 20 injured.

GREECE AND TURKEY.

TURKEY CONCILIATORY.

Important Proposal.

LONDON, June 19.
A telegram from Constantinople states that the Porte's reply to the Greek Note presents a conciliatory character.

A telegram from Berlin states that Germany has agreed to the proposal made by the Porte that representatives of the Embassies at Constantinople investigate the position of the Greeks in Asia Minor.

Turkey's Determination.

The Turkish-Greek situation is improving under the influence brought to bear upon it by the Powers, but Turkey is determined by hook or by crook to get back Mitylene and Chios, and is therefore purposely clearing away all Greeks from the opposite coasts.

Another telegram from Constantinople states that the Porte's reply to Greece though conciliatory alludes to the perturbation produced in Asia Minor by the influx of 200,000 Moslem refugees from Macedonia, who were obliged to flee from persecution. It also mentions the measures adopted to re-established order and hopes that Greece will reciprocate in Macedonia. The reply evades the Greek demands for the reinstatement of the emigrants' return to their property.

Turkish Purchases.

A party of Turkish naval officers have arrived in England to purchase 120,000 tons of coal and five transports.

BIG BLAZE AT GLASGOW.

SHEDS AND SHIPS BURNED.

LONDON, June 19.
A fire occurred at Kingston Dock, Glasgow, as the result of which several sheds and seven schooners were burned. The damage is estimated at £100,000.

Another telegram states that the fire was controlled after nine hours, and that the damage will amount to a quarter of a million sterling.

ROUMANIA AND THE BALANCE OF POWER.

LONDON, June 19.
A telegram from Bucharest states that the King of Roumania in opening Parliament said that Roumania was determined to maintain the balance of power in the Balkans and work for the peace of Europe.

MISS S. PANKHURST'S FOLLY.

LONDON, June 19.
Miss Sylvia Pankhurst (who had determined to hunger and thirst strike in or out of prison, until Mr. Asquith consented to receive a gratuitous deputation) was released from Holloway Gaol yesterday evening. She motored to the House of Commons, where she lay on a couch in the porch for ten minutes. Mr. Asquith had consented to receive a deputation of East End workwomen to-day, whereupon she left.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

(The following telegram was received at the American Consulate-General yesterday evening.)

Manila, 4.30 p.m., June 18.
Cyclone of Typhoon over the eastern Visayas Islands; moving W. N. W.
9.30 a.m., June 19.
Cyclone or Typhoon, E.R.E. of Manila, over or near southern Luzon, moving W. N. W. or N. W.
1.45 p.m., June 19.
Cyclone or Typhoon, — E. N. E. of Manila, moving N. W.

MOTOR LIGHTER FOR SOUTH SEA ISLANDS.

Messrs W. S. Bailey and Co., Ltd., have completed, to the order of Messrs F. Blackhead and Co., a motor driven lighter for service in the South Sea Islands. The vessel is 50 ft. overall by 12 ft. beam, with deck cabin, bunks and drawers etc. and with cargo hold forward. Mast, derrick and winch to lift one ton are fitted for ready handling of cargo. The motive power consists of a 48 H.P. "Drott" Crude Oil engine, engine having a bronze propeller with reversible blades. On the vessel being procured entirely a satisfactory trial has been made, and the vessel has been proved perfectly and gave a speed upon the measured mile of 8 knots at 100 revolutions per minute.

Messrs Bailey & Co. are completing two other motor boats of 48 ft. and 50 ft. and two steel motor boats of 34 ft. and 70 ft., besides a steel cargo steamer for the Manila passenger and lumber trade.

This vessel is one of the largest built by Messrs. Bailey and will carry 1000 tons of cargo. First class accommodation is provided for passengers in a saloon on the after deck having the forward part of the vessel clear for working cargo. Four powerful steam winches of noiseless type are provided with masts and derricks. The hold is designed clear of pillars or other obstructions.

The engines are triple expansion of 750 Horse Power working at 180 lbs. pressure and the vessel is to Lloyds A. 1 Class.

FORTHCOMING VISIT OF A LEADING COMEDIAN.

It is a rather difficult task to keep single handed, an audience in laughter for two and a half hours but Mr. "Frivolity" Freer, who, as will be seen from our advertising columns, will perform at the Theatre Royal on 27th instant, guarantees to do this. Mr. Freer is "the man that made the Sultan laugh"—the point of which statement is that a Turk will only laugh under great compulsion as such emotion is opposed to his code of etiquette. "Frivolity" Freer also appeared before His late Majesty, King Edward VII. and brings credentials from sundry Princes, Ambassadors, Governors, etc.

"Frivolity" Freer is mostly impersonations, and we read in one of his programmes "impersonations of Miss Louise Freer in The Foreigner, the late Mr. Polisser in The Deucherman, Dave Samuels in The Yiddish man, and Gus Ellen in A Coterie Song". In commenting on one of his entertainments in Shanghai the "North China Daily News" says:—
"Frivolity Freer undertook to keep anybody who went to see him thoroughly amused for two hours and a half. People inclined for one reason or another (bad luck at the races perhaps amongst other things) to take pessimistic views did not believe (there need be no secret about it) that he could do it. Some of these stayed away, others went, and there is no doubt at all that the latter are glad this morning that they gave Freer the benefit of the doubt. He redeemed his pledge by keeping the house in which there were very few empty seats, laughing from the beginning of his programme to the end of it. And the astonishing fact about his success is that it was won single handed, with the assistance of no more than a small orchestra and a 'fourth' property" that could not have been simpler—a looking glass, a few wigs and moustaches, a shirt or two, and quaint top hats. In other words, Frivolity Freer entertained his audience, drew laughs after laughs from them, through their skill and force of personality. No theatrical artist can aim at or achieve greater success than that. "Hard Luck," a story told with the aid of four pieces of props, was perhaps the funniest item of the first part of the programme, that "rough subject" (politically, at all events, it is a tough subject) "Woman" was the funniest in the second part. Mr. Freer has also arranged to give a performance at the Shantung on the 24th inst.

ANTHONY MINE AT ICHANG.

The Fire-Dragon or Wo-Lung Mountain at Ichang is well known for its rich antimony mines. The antimony obtained from these mines has been analysed by some metallurgical expert and the results of the analysis all show that the antimony produced there is of excellent quality. The opening of these mines means a great deal of capital, which will be at least \$500,000, or one million made by attempt to exploit them and the mines have been left underground. It is now known that Mr. Li Tsung-shan, the Governor of Szechwan, has decided to open the mines and to develop the antimony industry. He himself has been attending to the matter, and the capital for the purpose of \$500,000 will be advanced by the Government. The mines are situated in the mountains of the Fire-Dragon, and the antimony is of the best quality. The mines are situated in the mountains of the Fire-Dragon, and the antimony is of the best quality. The mines are situated in the mountains of the Fire-Dragon, and the antimony is of the best quality.

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